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Sir:

Applicants respectfully inquire as to the status of this application since the Notice of Publication of Application, dated May 20, 2004, was received, no further communication has been received from the USPTO indicating action in this matter.

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